

Senate File 2321

H-8361

1 Amend the amendment, H-8327, to Senate File 2321,  
2 as amended, passed, and reprinted by the Senate, as  
3 follows:

4 1. Page 1, after line 4 by inserting:

5 <DIVISION

6 FY 2012-2013 EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS>

7 2. Page 11, by striking line 7 and inserting  
8 <188,774,647>

9 3. Page 11, by striking lines 14 through 28 and  
10 inserting:

11	<(1) Merged Area I.....	\$ 9,410,108
12	(2) Merged Area II.....	\$ 9,618,608
13	(3) Merged Area III.....	\$ 8,869,371
14	(4) Merged Area IV.....	\$ 4,362,345
15	(5) Merged Area V.....	\$ 10,583,054
16	(6) Merged Area VI.....	\$ 8,504,520
17	(7) Merged Area VII.....	\$ 12,895,629
18	(8) Merged Area IX.....	\$ 16,261,078
19	(9) Merged Area X.....	\$ 29,382,410
20	(10) Merged Area XI.....	\$ 30,644,465
21	(11) Merged Area XII.....	\$ 10,588,450
22	(12) Merged Area XIII.....	\$ 11,187,562
23	(13) Merged Area XIV.....	\$ 4,444,054
24	(14) Merged Area XV.....	\$ 13,939,682
25	(15) Merged Area XVI.....	\$ 8,083,311>

26 4. Page 11, by striking lines 33 through 37 and  
27 inserting:

28 <e. For deposit in the workforce training and  
29 economic development funds created pursuant to section  
30 260C.18A:

31 ..... \$ 2,500,000>

32 5. Page 20, after line 12 by inserting:

33 <DIVISION

34 WORKER TRAINING PROGRAMS IN COMMUNITY COLLEGES

35 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 84A.6, Code Supplement 2011, is  
36 amended by adding the following new subsection:

37 NEW SUBSECTION. 4. The department of workforce  
38 development, in consultation with the college student  
39 aid commission, shall issue a quarterly report  
40 identifying industries in which the department finds  
41 a shortage of skilled workers in this state for the  
42 purposes of the skilled workforce shortage tuition  
43 grant program established in section 261.130.

44 Sec. \_\_\_\_ . Section 260C.18A, subsection 1, Code  
45 Supplement 2011, is amended by adding the following new  
46 paragraph:

47 NEW PARAGRAPH. c. There is appropriated from the  
48 general fund of the state to the workforce training and  
49 economic development funds, the following amounts:

50 (1) For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012,

1 and ending June 30, 2013, the sum of twelve million  
2 dollars.

3 (2) For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013,  
4 and ending June 30, 2014, the sum of twelve million  
5 dollars.

6 (3) For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014,  
7 and ending June 30, 2015, the sum of twelve million  
8 dollars.

9 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 260C.18A, subsection 2, Code  
10 Supplement 2011, is amended by adding the following new  
11 paragraph:

12 NEW PARAGRAPH. j. Development and implementation  
13 of the national career readiness certificate and the  
14 skills certification system endorsed by the national  
15 association of manufacturers.

16 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 260I.2, Code Supplement 2011, is  
17 amended to read as follows:

18 260I.2 Gap tuition assistance program — fund —  
19 appropriation.

20 1. A gap tuition assistance program is established  
21 to provide funding to community colleges for need-based  
22 tuition assistance to applicants to enable completion  
23 of continuing education certificate training programs  
24 for in-demand occupations.

25 2. a. There is established for the community  
26 colleges a gap tuition assistance fund in the state  
27 treasury to be administered by the department of  
28 education. The funds in the gap tuition assistance  
29 fund are appropriated to the department of education  
30 for the gap tuition assistance program.

31 b. There is appropriated from the general fund  
32 of the state to the gap tuition assistance fund, the  
33 following amounts:

34 (1) For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, and  
35 ending June 30, 2013, the sum of two million dollars.

36 (2) For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, and  
37 ending June 30, 2014, the sum of two million dollars.

38 (3) For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, and  
39 ending June 30, 2015, the sum of two million dollars.

40 c. The aggregate total of grants awarded from the  
41 gap tuition assistance fund during a fiscal year shall  
42 not be more than two million dollars.

43 d. Moneys in the fund shall be allocated pursuant  
44 to the formula established in section 260C.18C.  
45 Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys in the fund  
46 at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert  
47 to the general fund of the state but shall remain  
48 available for expenditure for the purpose designated  
49 for subsequent fiscal years. Notwithstanding section  
50 12C.7, subsection 2, interest or earnings on moneys in

1 the fund shall be credited to the fund.

2 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. Section 260I.7, Code Supplement 2011, is  
3 amended to read as follows:

4 **260I.7 Initial assessment.**

5 An applicant for tuition assistance under this  
6 chapter shall complete an initial assessment  
7 administered by the community college receiving the  
8 application to determine the applicant's readiness  
9 to complete an eligible certificate program. The  
10 assessment shall include assessments for completion of  
11 a national career readiness certificate, including the  
12 areas of reading for information, applied mathematics,  
13 and locating information. ~~An applicant must achieve a~~  
14 ~~bronze-level certificate or the minimum score required~~  
15 ~~for an eligible certificate program, whichever is~~  
16 ~~higher, in order to be approved for tuition assistance.~~  
17 An applicant shall complete any additional assessments  
18 and occupational research required by an eligible  
19 certificate program.

20 Sec. \_\_\_\_\_. NEW SECTION. **261.130 Skilled workforce**  
21 **shortage tuition grant program — appropriation.**

22 1. A skilled workforce shortage tuition grant may  
23 be awarded to any resident of Iowa who is admitted and  
24 in attendance as a full-time or part-time student in  
25 a career-technical or career option program to pursue  
26 an associate's degree or other training at a community  
27 college in the state, and who establishes financial  
28 need.

29 2. Skilled workforce shortage tuition grants shall  
30 be awarded only to students pursuing a career-technical  
31 or career option program in an industry identified as  
32 having a shortage of skilled workers by a community  
33 college after conducting a regional skills gap analysis  
34 or by the department of workforce development in the  
35 department's most recent quarterly report pursuant to  
36 section 84A.6, subsection 4.

37 3. The amount of a skilled workforce shortage  
38 tuition grant shall not exceed the lesser of one-half  
39 of a student's tuition and fees for an approved  
40 career-technical or career option program or the amount  
41 of the student's established financial need.

42 4. All classes identified by the community college  
43 as required for completion of the student's approved  
44 career-technical or career option program shall be  
45 considered a part of the student's career-technical or  
46 career option program for the purpose of determining  
47 the student's eligibility for a grant. Notwithstanding  
48 subsection 5, if a student is making satisfactory  
49 academic progress but the student cannot complete  
50 a career-technical or career option program in the

1 time frame allowed for a student to receive a skilled  
2 workforce shortage tuition grant as provided in  
3 subsection 5 because additional classes are required  
4 to complete the program, the student may continue to  
5 receive a skilled workforce shortage tuition grant for  
6 not more than one additional enrollment period.

7 5. a. A qualified full-time student may receive  
8 skilled workforce shortage tuition grants for not  
9 more than four semesters or the trimester or quarter  
10 equivalent of two full years of study. A qualified  
11 part-time student enrolled in a course of study  
12 including at least three semester hours but fewer than  
13 twelve semester hours or the trimester or quarter  
14 equivalent may receive skilled workforce shortage  
15 tuition grants for not more than eight semesters or the  
16 trimester or quarter equivalent of two full years of  
17 full-time study.

18 b. However, if a student resumes study after at  
19 least a two-year absence, the student may again be  
20 eligible for the specified amount of time, except that  
21 the student shall not receive assistance for courses  
22 for which credit was previously received.

23 6. A skilled workforce shortage tuition grant shall  
24 be awarded on an annual basis, requiring reapplication  
25 by the student for each year. Payments under the  
26 grant shall be allocated equally among the semesters  
27 or quarters of the year upon certification by the  
28 community college that the student is in full-time or  
29 part-time attendance in a career-technical or career  
30 option program consistent with the requirements of  
31 this section. If the student discontinues attendance  
32 before the end of any term after receiving payment  
33 of the grant, the entire amount of any refund due  
34 that student, up to the amount of any payments made  
35 under the annual grant, shall be paid by the community  
36 college to the state.

37 7. If a student receives financial aid under any  
38 other program, the full amount of that financial aid  
39 shall be considered part of the student's financial  
40 resources available in determining the amount of the  
41 student's financial need for that period.

42 8. The commission shall administer this program and  
43 shall:

44 a. Provide application forms for distribution to  
45 students by Iowa high schools and community colleges.

46 b. Adopt rules for approving career-technical or  
47 career option programs in industries identified by the  
48 department of workforce development pursuant to section  
49 84A.6, subsection 4; determining financial need;  
50 defining residence for the purposes of this section;

1 processing and approving applications for grants; and  
2 determining priority for grants.  
3 *c.* Approve and award grants on an annual basis.  
4 *d.* Make an annual report to the governor and  
5 general assembly. The report shall include the number  
6 of students receiving assistance and the industries  
7 identified by the community colleges and by the  
8 department of workforce development pursuant to section  
9 84A.6, subsection 4, for which students were admitted  
10 to a career-technical or career option program.  
11 9. Each applicant, in accordance with the rules  
12 established by the commission, shall:  
13 *a.* Complete and file an application for a skilled  
14 workforce shortage tuition grant.  
15 *b.* Be responsible for the submission of the  
16 financial information required for evaluation of the  
17 applicant's need for a grant, on forms determined by  
18 the commission.  
19 *c.* Report promptly to the commission any  
20 information requested.  
21 *d.* Submit a new application for reevaluation of  
22 the applicant's eligibility to receive a second-year  
23 renewal of the grant.  
24 10. *a.* There is appropriated from the general  
25 fund of the state to the commission for the skilled  
26 workforce shortage tuition grant program, the following  
27 amounts:  
28 (1) For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, and  
29 ending June 30, 2013, the sum of six million dollars.  
30 (2) For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2013, and  
31 ending June 30, 2014, the sum of six million dollars.  
32 (3) For the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2014, and  
33 ending June 30, 2015, the sum of six million dollars.  
34 *b.* Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys  
35 appropriated in this subsection that remain  
36 unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal  
37 year shall not revert but shall remain available for  
38 expenditure for the purposes designated until the close  
39 of the fiscal year that begins July 1, 2014.>  
40 6. By renumbering as necessary.

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HALL of Woodbury

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WINCKLER of Scott

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STECKMAN of Cerro Gordo

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ABDUL-SAMAD of Polk

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BERRY of Black Hawk

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COHOON of Des Moines

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GAINES of Polk

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GASKILL of Wapello

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HANSON of Jefferson

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HEDDENS of Story

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HUNTER of Polk

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ISENHART of Dubuque

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JACOBY of Johnson

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KAJTAZOVIC of Black Hawk

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KEARNS of Lee

---

KELLEY of Jasper

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KRESSIG of Black Hawk

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LENSING of Johnson

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LYKAM of Scott

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MASCHER of Johnson

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McCARTHY of Polk

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H. MILLER of Webster

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MUHLBAUER of Crawford

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MURPHY of Dubuque

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OLDSON of Polk

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R. OLSON of Polk

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T. OLSON of Linn

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PETERSEN of Polk

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RUNNING-MARQUARDT of Linn

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T. TAYLOR of Linn

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THEDE of Scott

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THOMAS of Clayton

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WESSEL-KROESCHELL of Story

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WITTNEBEN of Emmet

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WOLFE of Clinton